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In re Application Herbert A. Thaler
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Filing Date: 09/22/99
Title: Finite Local Enhancement Of Color Video Signals
Group Art Unit: 2711
Examiner: Unknown
Attorney's Docket No.: KYU-03

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SUBMITTED

UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1)

In accordance with his duty to disclose information which may be material to patentability under 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1) and 1.98, Applicant is submitting herewith (1) two copies of Form PTO-1449 (one page) listing a number of references which are believed to be pertinent to the disclosure of the above-captioned application, and (2) copies of each of the references as follows:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,721,998, issued 01/26/88 to W. Glenn;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 4,868,645, issued 09/19/89 to K. Kobayashi;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,012,331, issued 04/30/91 to D. Schuster; and
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,891,015, issued 04/06/99 to F. Strahle.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned with the next Official Action.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted by the Examiner by telephone in order that any deficiencies may be expeditiously remedied.

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